

REMARKS

Applicant requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Applicant also requests consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 18, 2005.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-9, 11-13 and 44-78 are pending in this application, with Claims 1, 4, 9, 44, and 45 being independent. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended to change "determined" to -converted--, to ensure precise correspondence with the antecedent use of that term. No new matter has been added. Favorable consideration, entry of this Amendment, and early passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

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